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E.O. 11652: GDS  
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SUBJECT: SPECIAL TRADE OPPORTUNITY: SECURITY AND  
SURVEILLANCE EQUIPMENT FOR GOVERNMENT OF  
PAKISTAN

1. MR. R.E. BANKWALLA, MANAGING DIRECTOR OF WELL-KNOWN  
KARACHI TRADING FIRM FORBES, FORBES, CAMPBELL  
& CO. LTD. (FFCC) HAS APPROACHED CONGEN TO REQUEST  
ASSISTANCE IN CONTACTING AMERICAN SUPPLIERS OF VARIOUS  
TYPES OF SECURITY AND SURVEILLANCE EQUIPMENT. FFCC  
ARE LOCAL REPRESENTATIVES FOR BRITISH ELECTRONICS FIRM  
PYE AND ACCORDING TO BANKWALLA, HIS FIRM HAS SUPPLIED  
PYE RADIO EQUIPMENT TO PRIME MINISTER'S  
PERSONAL COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK.

2. BECAUSE OF THIS ESTABLISHED RELATIONSHIP, BANKWALLA  
REPORTS THAT HE HAS RECEIVED A REQUEST FROM THE  
INTERSERVICE INSPECTORATE (ISI) WHICH HE DESCRIBES AS  
THE ORGANIZATION RESPONSIBLE FOR THE PM'S PERSONAL  
SECURITY. THE ISI REQUEST IS FOR THE SUPPLY OF AN X-RAY  
OR FLUOROSCOPIC INSPECTION SYSTEM CAPABLE OF EXAMINING  
INDIVIDUALS ENTERING A ROOM TO DETERMINE IF THEY ARE  
CARRYING A BOMB OR OTHER TYPE OF WEAPON. SYSTEM MUST  
BE CAPABLE OF MAKING SURVEILLANCE WITHOUT VISITOR'S  
KNOWLEDGE AND MUST BE ABLE TO DIFFERENTIATE BETWEEN  
HARMLESS METAL OBJECTS AND ACTUAL WEAPONS. BANKWALLA  
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STATED THAT THE GOP AUTHORITIES ARE SEEKING A SYSTEM

SIMILAR TO ONE WHICH WAS DESCRIBED IN AN ARTICLE IN THE AMERICAN SCIENCE AND ENGINEERING OF NOV. 22, 1972.

3. BANKWALLA STRESSED THE IMPORTANCE OF KEEPING THIS REQUEST ABSOLUTELY CONFIDENTIAL SINCE HE BELIEVES IT IS REQUIRED FOR PM BHUTTO'S PERSONAL SECURITY. BANKWALLA UNDERSTANDS A SIMILAR SYSTEM IS BEING USED BY THE SECRET SERVICE TO PROTECT AMERICAN OFFICIALS.

4. BANKWALLA STATED THAT HE HAS ALSO RECEIVED A REQUEST FROM THE SAME ORGANIZATION FOR COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT WHICH HE HAS DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: "1) HIGH FREQUENCY SURVEILLANCE RECEIVERS WITH FOLLOWING SPECIFICATIONS: FREQUENCY COVERAGE: 1 MHZ TO 30 MHZ; MODES OF RECEPTION: VOICE, CW AND SSB; BRICK BLOCK SYSTEM: TO BUILD UP ADDITIONAL FACILITIES OF RADIO TELETYPE WORKING. DIGITAL COUNTER WITH PANORAMIC FACILITY. CONFIGURATION OF EQUIPMENT SO THAT WHATEVER FACILITY IS NEEDED CAN BE HAD.

"2) VHF RECEIVERS FOR SURVEILLANCE. SAME SPECIFICATIONS BUT IN 20 MHZ TO 300 MHZ."

5. ACTION REQUESTED: CONGEN REQUESTS APPROPRIATE WASHINGTON AGENCY TO ASCERTAIN NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF POTENTIAL AMERICAN SUPPLIERS OF THIS EQUIPMENT AND TO PROVIDE INFORMATION TO US. BANKWALLA OR GOP WILL THEN CONTACT FIRMS DIRECTLY. BANKWALLA STATES THAT REQUESTS FOR X-RAY SURVEILLANCE EQUIPMENT IS OF URGENT IMPORTANCE AND THEREFORE WE REQUEST TELEGRAPHIC RESPONSE. TIGER

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